

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE
RELATIVE TO PREVIOUS CLAIMS

The specific changes to the amended claims reflecting only the amendments made in the present Office Action Response, are shown on these pages. Insertions are shown underlined while deletions are ~~struck through~~.

Claims 13, 21, 22, 26 and 27 have been amended as follows:

13. (Twice Amended) A roller skate chassis assembly for attachment to a skate boot, the chassis assembly comprising:

a forefoot section and a heel section;

a pair of laterally spaced longitudinal elongate, ~~spaced apart~~ support members spanning the forefoot and heel sections of the chassis, each support member having a substantially planar lower portion, the lower portions being parallel to each other and adapted to receive a plurality of skate wheels therebetween;

one or more web members ~~at least one cross member~~ extending between and attached to the lower portions of the support members, the web member ~~cross member~~ positioned so as to be between successive wheels;

an upper portion in the forefoot section of each support member, the upper portion extending upwardly from the lower portion and having an upper edge, and a mounting flange extends from each upper edge, the mounting flange having at least one mount hole; and

an upper portion in the heel section of each support member, the upper portion extending upwardly from the lower portion and having an upper edge, and a mounting flange extends from each upper edge, the mounting flange having at least one mount hole;

wherein in at least one of the heel and forefoot sections, the upper portions lie in substantially convergent planes in an upwardly extending direction above said one or more web members ~~the at least one cross member~~.

21. (Amended) The chassis assembly of Claim 17, wherein the support members and one or more web member ~~at least one cross member~~ are integrally attached to one another.

22. (Amended) A roller skate chassis assembly for attachment of a plurality of skate wheels, said chassis assembly comprising:

an elongate left chassis member and an elongate right chassis member, each chassis member having a front region, a back region, and a substantially planar lower portion extending through the front and back regions, the left and right chassis members being spaced apart from each other and arranged so that the left and right lower portions lie in substantially parallel planes, the lower portions being adapted so that a plurality of skate wheels are supported therebetween;

one or more web members ~~at least one cross-member~~ extending between the left and right chassis members and adapted so that the chassis members and one or more web members ~~at least one cross-member~~ are integrally attached to one another;

each chassis member having a substantially planar upper portion in the front region and a substantially planar upper portion in the back region, the upper portions being positioned substantially above the one or more web members ~~at least one cross-member~~;

a forefoot mount defined above the front upper portions in the front regions of the left and right chassis members, the forefoot mount being adapted to accomodate attachment of a forefoot portion of a skate boot sole; and

a heel mount defined above the back upper portions in the back regions of the left and right chassis members, the heel mount being adapted to accomodate attachment of a heel portion of a skate boot sole;

wherein at least one of the upper portions of each of the chassis members lies in a plane that is inclined relative to the adjacent planar lower portion and is convergent in an upward direction with the corresponding planar upper portion of the spaced apart chassis member.

26. (Amended) The chassis assembly of Claim 22, wherein the left chassis member, right chassis member and one or more web member ~~at least one cross-member~~ are formed separately from one another.

27. (Amended) The chassis assembly of Claim 26, wherein the chassis members are welded to the one or more web member ~~at least one cross-member~~.